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SUBJECT: NIEHOUS KIDNAPPING

REF: CARACAS 3786

1. NEWSPAPERS IN CARACAS AND MARACAIBO CARRIED UIP STORY
DATELINED APRIL 23 FROM MIAMI TO EFFECT THAT MRS NIEHOUS
INFORMED THE "MIAMI HERALD" THAT SHE IS ANXIOUS TO MAINTAIN
CONTACT WITH HER HUSBAND'S KIDNAPPERS, AND THAT SHE WISHES
TO HAVE PROOF THAT HE IS ALIVE, EITHER A PHOTO OR A HAND-
WRITTEN DOCUMENT.

2. APRIL 25 EDITION OF "EL NACIONAL" ALSO CARRIED SEPARATE
STORIES NOTING, IN FIRST INSTANCE, THAT VENEZUELAN SECURITY
OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY ONE OF THE KIDNAPPERS.
THE OFFICIAL SOURCE, ACCORDING TO THE "EL NACIONAL" ACCOUNT,
REFUSED TO NAME THE INDIVIDUAL, BUT STATED THAT A NATION-
WIDE ARREST ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED FOR HIM. THE SOURCE IS
ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE GOV DOES NOT KNOW WHO WROTE
TO JACK ANDERSON. THE STORY ENDS BY STATING THAT "EL NACIONAL"
EDITORS CALLED MRS NIEHOUS IN TOLEDO AND SHE REAFFIRMED
THAT SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHO WROTE THE LETTER TO ANDERSON
BUT PRESUMES IT WAS SOMEONE ASSOCIATED WITH THE KIDNAPPING.

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SECOND "EL NACIONAL" STORY IS AP ITEM APRIL 24 FROM
PERRYSBURGH, OHIO WHICH QUOTES MRS NIEHOUS TO EFFECT THAT
SHE IS PLEASED THAT ANDERSON HAS TAKEN AN INTEREST IN HER
HUSBAND'S CASE.

3. COMMENT: INTERIOR MINISTRY'S SECURITY SERVICE INFORMS
US THAT THERE IS NO BASIS TO THE "EL NACIONAL" STORY.

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